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FOR S/P WINSTON LORD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR JA US

SUBJ: US-JAPAN PLANNING TALKS: PRESS RELEASE

REF: TOKYO 0675

1. FONOFF PLANNING DIVISION WOULD LIKE TO RELEASE
FEB 4 OR 5 STATEMENT TO PRESS WHICH READS IN SUBSTANCE
AS FOLLOWS:

"US-JAPAN PLANNING TALKS WILL BE HELD FEB 7-9 IN
SHIMODA CITY, SHIZUOKA PREFECTURE. JAPANESE SIDE WILL
BE REPRESENTED AT MEETING BY DEPUTY FONMINS ARITA AND
YOSHINO RESEARCH AND PLANNING BUREAU DIRECTOR GENERAL
NOMURA AND OTHERS. US SIDE WILL BE REPRESENTED BY
WINSTON LORD, DIRECTOR OF THE POLICY PLANNING STAFF OF
THE US DEPARTMENT OF STATE, JAMES HODGSON, US AMBASSADOR
TO JAPAN, AND OTHERS. THE TWO SIDES WILL HOLD FREE
DISCUSSIONS ON MATTERS OF COMMON INTEREST. SUCH MEETINGS
ARE HELD REGULARLY EACH YEAR BETWEEN THE FONMIN AND THE
STATE DEPARTMENT.
THE PREVIOUS TALKS TOOK PLACE MARCH 1975
IN THE UNITED STATES."

2. PLEASE INFORM US ASAP WHETHER JAPANESE STATEMENT
AGREEABLE AND WHETHER YOU HAVE ANY PREFERENCE ON MANNER
OR DATE OF RELEASE.

3. WE FIND LITTLE TO OBJECT TO IN GOJ STATEMENT AND
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HAVE WEAK PREFERENCE FOR FEB 5 AS RELEASE DATE. THERE

HAS BEEN NO FOLLOW-UP OR FURTHER MEDIA INTEREST HERE
REGARDING PREMATURE DISCLOSURE REPORTED REFTTEL.
HODGSON

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